

REMARKS

Telephone Interview

The Examiner is thanked for discussing the Office Action and this application with the undersigned attorney by telephone, on June 28, 2007. In that interview, the Examiner proposed an amendment that would place claim 1 in condition for allowance. That proposed amendment has been fully embodied in the amendment made to claim 1 herein.

Accordingly, the outstanding rejection of claim 1 has been rendered moot and claim 1 is now in condition for allowance. Claims 2-11 and 20-27 depend from claim 1 and are in condition for allowance at least by virtue of their dependency from claim 1.

Claim 28 was withdrawn from consideration (as being drawn to a non-elected embodiment) and has been canceled in this response.

New Claims 29-30

New claims 29 and 30 are added in this submission. Claim 29 is virtually identical to amended claim 1, except that the term "protrusion" is used in place of "air bag." From the standpoint of prior art, the undersigned submits that this claim defines over the prior art for at least the same reasons as amended claim 1. New claim 30 is similar to claim 29, except that the last "thereby ..." clause has been removed. Again, as relevant to the prior art of record, claim 30 is fully believed to define over the cited art.

CONCLUSION

For at least the foregoing reasons, all claims are believed to be in condition for allowance.

No fee is believed to be due in connection with this submission. If, however, any fee is deemed to be payable, you are hereby authorized to charge any such fee to Deposit Account No. 20-0778.

Respectfully submitted,

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